GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4240
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LAND FOR NATIONAL CENTRE FOR FILMS FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE
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Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of Andhra Pradesh has allotted an extent of 10 acres ofland free of cost to National Centre for Films for Children and Young People;

(b) whether the Union Government have taken over the possession of the land and has started the construction work;

(c) if so, the details thereof and the funds earmarked for this purpose during the Ninth Five Year Plan; and

(d) if not, the reasons for delay in construction of this and the time by which the work is likely to start?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SMT. SUSHMA SWARAJ)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No Sir.

(c) & (d) : The Government of Andhra Pradesh had originally allotted ten acres ofland to the National Centre for Films for Children and Young People, now called the Children`s Film Society, India (CFSI), in Jubilee Hills, Hyderabad, possession of which was handed over to CFSI in September, 1997.However, due to unsuitability of land, work on the Complex could not commence and the land was surrendered. Thereafter, in November, 2000, the Andhra Pradesh State Government has approved allotment of another ten acres of land in Jubilee Hills, Hyderabad for the proposed Complex.

A provision of Rs.8 crores has been made in the Ninth Five Year Plan forthe Golden Jubilee Children`s Film Complex.Work on the Complex will commence immediately after clearances/approvals of various agencies have been obtained.